IT IS THE VENDOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK FOR ADDENDUMS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

NOTICE TO BIDDERS SPECIFICATION NO. 07-017

The City of Lincoln intends to purchase and invites you to submit a sealed bid for:

THE ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SANITARY SEWER PIPE AND FITTINGS

MEETING OR EXCEEDING THE CITY OF LINCOLN'S SPECIFICATIONS ATTACHED

Sealed bids will be received by City of Lincoln, Nebraska on or before 12:00 noon Wednesday, January 17, 2007, in the office of the Purchasing Agent, "K" Street Complex (SW Wing), Suite 200, 440 So. 8th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508. Bids will be publicly opened and read at the First Floor Conference Room at the "K" Street Complex.

Bid specification may be downloaded from the City's website at www.lincoln.ne.gov Keyword: Bid, select current year, select bid specification. Prospective submitters must monitor the bid listing for any addendums.

Bidders should take caution if U.S. mail or mail delivery services are used for the submission of bids. Mailing should be made in sufficient time for bids to arrive in the Purchasing Division, prior to the time and date specified above. Late bid will not be considered. **Faxed or e-mailed bids are not acceptable. Bid response must be in a sealed envelope**

Company	Name

PROPOSAL SPECIFICATION NO. 07-017

BID OPENING TIME: 12:00 NOON DATE: January 17, 2007

The undersigned bidder, having full knowledge of the requirements of the City of Lincoln for the below listed items and the contract documents (which include Notice to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, this Proposal, Specifications, Contract, and any and all addenda) and all other conditions of the Proposal, agrees to sell to the City and the County the Below listed items for the performance of this Specification, complete in every respect, in strict accordance with the contract documents at and for unit prices listed below.

THE ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR: SANITARY SEWER PIPE AND FITTINGS

BIDDING SCHEDULE

ITEM	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	<u>UNIT</u>	TOTAL
1.	4" PVC SEWER PIPE (SDR 35) ITEM NONONO	300 L.F.		
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2.	6" PVC SEWER PIPE (SDR 35) ITEM NO	300 L.F.		
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3.	8" PVC SEWER PIPE (SDR 35) ITEM NO	1500 L.F.		
	MFGNO			
4.	12" PVC SEWER PIPE (SDR 35) ITEM NO	300 L.F.		
	MFGNO			
5.	8" PVC COMPOSITE SEWER PIPE ITEM NO	1000 L.F.		
	MFGNO			
6.	10" PVC COMPOSITE SEWER PIPE ITEM NO	300 L.F.		
	MFGNO			
7.	12" PVC COMPOSITE SEWER PIPE	150 L.F.		
	ITEM NONONO			
8.	4" CLAY-TO-PVC COUPLING	100 EA.		
	ITEM NO	<u></u>		

		Company Name	
6" CLAY-TO-PVC CC	DUPLING	100 EA.	
MFG	NO	_	
8" CLAY-TO-PVC CC	DUPLING	100 EA.	
MFG	NO		-
10" CLAY-TO-PVC C	OUPLING	100 EA.	
MFG	NO	_	
12" CLAY-TO-PVC C	OUPLING	100 EA.	
MFG	NO	<u> </u>	
4" CAST IRON-TO-P ITEM NO	VC COUPLING	150 EA.	
MFG			
4" TYPE O STANDAI		100 EA.	
MISSION RUBBER (CO. NO. 0404 624		
6" ADJUSTABLE RE ITEM NO		100 EA.	
MISSION RUBBER (CO. NO. 0406 751		
8" ADJUSTABLE RE ITEM NO		300 EA.	
MISSION RUBBER (CO. NO. 0408 781		
10" ADJUSTABLE R	EPAIR COUPLING	50 EA.	
ITEM NO MISSION RUBBER (CO. NO. 0410 688		
12 ADJUSTABLE RE		50 EA.	
MISSION RUBBER (
8" X 4" PVC TEE SAI	DDLE (SDR 35)	250 EA.	
MFG	NO		
8" X 4" PVC COMPO ITEM NO.	SITE SADDLE	500 EA.	
MFG			
10" X 4" PVC COMPO		50 EA.	
MFG	NO.		

		Company Name
22.	12" X 4" PVC COMPOSITE TEE SADDLE	50 EA
	ITEM NO	
	ITEM NONONO	<u></u>
23.	4" PVC SADDLE ADAPTER	1000 EA.
	(SDR 35 TO SCH. 40)	
	ITEM NONONO	<u></u>
24.	4" PVC, 45 ⁰ BEND (SDR 35)	200 EA
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	ITEM NONONO	<u> </u>
25.	4" PVC, 22.5 ⁰ BEND (SDR 35)	200 EA
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	TOTAL BID, ITEMS 1-25 COMBINED	
	NO BID SECUR	ITY REQUIRED
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	Special Provisions before completing the following se	
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addition	al one (1) year renewals.	
Contract	Extension Renewal is an option:	Yes
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	(a) Bid prices firm for the full contract period:	· or
	(b) Bid prices subject to escalation/de-escalation:	
	(c) If (b), state period for which prices will remain firm. Through	
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INTER-LO	OCAL PURCHASING: The City/County desires to ma	ke available to other local government entities of the State
of Nebra	aska, by mutual agreement with the successful	l bidder, and properly authorized interlocal purchasing
agreeme	ents, the right to purchase the same services, at the	prices quoted, for the period of this contract. Each bidder
shall inc	licated on the Bid Form in the space provided b	below if he/she will honor Political Subdivision orders in
accordar	nce with the contract terms and conditions, in addition	to orders from City of Lincoln/Lancaster County.
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AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM: Successful bidder will be required to comply with the provisions of the City's Affirmative Action Policy (Contract Compliance, Sec. 1.16). The Equal Opportunity Officer will determine compliance or non-compliance with the City's policy upon a complete and substantial review of successful bidder's equal opportunity policies, procedures and practices.

The undersigned signatory for the bidder represents and warrants that he has full and complete authority to submit this proposal to the City, and to enter into a contract if this proposal is accepted.

NOTE:

RETURN 2 COMPLETE COPIES OF PROPOSAL AND SUPPORTING MATERIAL. MARK OUTSIDE OF BID ENVELOPE AS FOLLOWS: SEALED BID FOR SPEC. 07-017

COMPANY NAME	BY (Signature)
STREET ADDRESS or P.O. BOX	(Print Name)
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE	(Title)
TELEPHONE No. FAX No.	(Date)
E-MAIL ADDRESS	ESTIMATED DELIVERY DAYS
TERMS OF PAYMENT	

Bids may be inspected in the Purchasing Division during normal business hours <u>after</u> tabulation and review by a Purchasing Agent. Bid tabulations can be viewed on our website at: lincoln.ne.gov Keyword: **Bid** The Intent to Award will be listed on the website when a recommendation is received from the Department.

SPECIFICATION FOR SANITARY SEWER PIPE AND FITTINGS

1. DELIVERY

1.1 Unit bid prices shall include all delivery costs, including shipper's charges and unloading time, at the following point:

Lincoln Wastewater System Wastewater Collection Shop 2400 Theresa Street Lincoln, Nebraska 68521

1.2 Deliveries shall be made between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on normal City of Lincoln work days.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

- 2.1 Orders will normally be made on standard purchase orders issued by the Purchasing Agent.
 - 2.1.1 Orders may be placed by telephone directly by the Lincoln Wastewater System.
 - 2.1.2 In any event, all orders will be assigned an order number.
- 2.2 All correspondence, including acknowledgment of receipt of orders, packing lists and invoices, shall carry the order number assigned by the City of Lincoln.
- 2.3 Contractor shall group materials on his invoices as they are grouped on the City's order.
- 2.4 Contractor shall furnish to the City affidavits from each manufacturer stating that the materials supplied fully conform to these material specifications.

3. BIDDING PROCEDURE

- 3.1 Each bidder shall submit two (2) sets of drawings and related information showing:
 - 3.1.1 Manufacturer of each item to be supplied.
 - 3.1.2 The principle dimensions, weight, and materials of construction.
- 3.2 Where catalog sheets are submitted, the items to be supplied must be clearly indicated by circling each item or otherwise clearly indicating the pertinent information on each page submitted.

4. MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

4.1 PVC SEWER PIPE

- 4.1.1 PVC sewer pipe furnished under this specification shall fully meet or exceed all requirements of the latest revision of ASTM Designation D3034, Type PSM, SDR 35.
- 4.1.2 Joints for PVC sewer pipe shall meet the requirements of ASTM Designation D3212 for integral bell, single synthetic rubber gasket push-on joints. Joints using separate couplings or couplings solvent welded to one end of the pipe shall not be acceptable. Lubricants, if required, shall have no deteriorating effects on the gasket and pipe materials.
- 4.1.3 All pipe shall be furnished in standard laying lengths of 13'6".

4.2 PVC COMPOSITE PIPE

- 4.2.1 PVC composite sewer pipe furnished under this specification shall fully meet or exceed all requirements of the latest revision of ASTM Designation D2680.
- 4.2.2 Joints for PVC composite sewer pipe shall be PVC solvent cement joints and the cement shall comply with ASTM D2564 with the exception that the minimum resin content shall be 16% and minimum viscosity shall be 3500 cP. Lubricants shall have no deteriorating effects on the gasket and pipe materials.
- 4.2.3 All pipe shall be furnished in standard laying lengths of 13'6".

4.3 CLAY-TO-PVC COUPLINGS

- 4.3.1 Clay-to-PVC Couplings provided in this specification shall be flexible PVC couplings provided with stainless steel straps. The couplings shall be resistant to sewer gases and strong chemicals.
- 4.3.2 Couplings shall be equivalent to Indiana Seal Co., Indianapolis, Indiana, Part No. 102-XXXX.

4.4 TYPE O STD. AND ADJUSTABLE REPAIR COUPLINGS

- 4.4.1 Couplings provided under this specification shall be Mission Std. Couplings as manufactured by Mission Rubber Co., Inc, Corona, Ca.
- 4.4.2 Samples of alternates must be tested and approved by the Lincoln Wastewater System one (1) year in advance of bidding.
 - 4.4.2.1 Samples shall be submitted on or before March 1 of any calendar year.
 - 4.4.2.2 Samples approved for use within the Lincoln Water System will be included in the qualified products list for subsequent bids.
 - 4.4.2.3 The approval of material for use within Lincoln Wastewater System is vested solely with the City of Lincoln.
 - 4.4.2.3 All samples shall be delivered to:

Lincoln Wastewater System Wastewater Collection Shop 2400 Theresa Street Lincoln, Nebraska 68521

4.5 PVC TEE SADDLES, SADDLE ADAPTERS, AND BENDS

- 4.5.1 PVC tee saddles, saddle adapters, and bends provided under this specification shall be type PSM and shall comply with ASTM Designation D 3034. These fittings shall be designed to provide for solid leak-proof connections to PVC sewer line and saddles shall be designed to provide connection of sewer services where no in-line wye or tee exists on main line sewer.
- 4.5.2 The tee saddles shall be provided with elastomeric gasketed joint and stainless steel straps. The stainless steel straps (two per saddle) shall be designed to completely circumvent PVC sewer pipe and shall be of adequate length to allow for mechanical tightening of strap.
- 4.5.3 PVC saddle adapters shall be designed to provide connection to PVC tee saddles (SDR 35) and allow for connection of Schedule 40 PVC sewer service pipe using solvent cement joint.
- 4.5.4 PVC bends shall be type PSM and provided with two hub ends (H x H) and suitable for solvent cement joints.

4.6 PVC COMPOSITE PIPE SADDLES

- 4.6.1 PVC tee saddles provided under this specification shall conform with ASTM Designation D 2680. Saddles shall be designed to provide a solid leak-proof sewer connection to PVC composite sewer pipe where no in-line wye or tee exists.
- 4.6.2 The tee saddles shall be provided with elastomeric gasketed joint and stainless steel straps. The stainless steel straps (two per saddle) shall be designed to completely circumvent PVC composite sewer pipe and shall be of adequate length to allow for mechanical tightening of strap.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

. BIDDING PROCEDURE

- Bidder shall submit one (1) complete set of the bid documents and all supporting material, unless otherwise stipulated. All appropriate blanks shall be completed. Any interlineation, alteration or erasure on the specification document shall be initialed by the signer of the bid. Bidder shall not change the proposal form nor make additional stipulations on the specification document. Any amplified or qualifying information shall be on the bidder's letterhead and firmly attached to the specification document.
- Bid prices shall be submitted on the Proposal Form included in the bid 5. ADDENDA 1.2 document
- 1.3 Bidders may submit a bid on an "all or none" or "lump sum" basis, but should also submit a quotation on an item-by-item basis. Bidding documents shall be clearly marked indicating the kind of proposal being submitted.
- 1.4 Any person signing a bid for a firm, corporation, or other organization must show evidence of his authority so to bind such firm, corporation, or
- 1.5 Bids received after the time and date established for receiving bids will be reiected.
- If bidding on a Construction Contract, the City of Lincoln's Standard 1.6 Specifications for Municipal Construction 2006 shall apply.
 - Bidders may obtain this document from the City's Design Engineering Division of Public Works & Utilities for a small fee.
 - 1.6.2 Said document can be reviewed at Design Engineering or the Purchasing Division.
 - The Standard Conditions are available on the web site.
 - http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/engine/dconst/standard/stndspec/index.htm

BIDDER'S SECURITY

- Bid security, as a guarantee of good faith, in the form of a certified check, 21 cashier's check, or bidder's bond, may be required to be submitted with this bid document, as indicated on the Proposal Form.
- If alternates are submitted, only one bid security will be required, provided the 2.2 bid security is based on the amount of the highest gross bid.
- 2.3 Such bid security will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders when the award
- Bid security will be returned to the successful bidder(s) as follows:
 - For single order bids with specified quantities: upon the delivery of all equipment or merchandise, and upon final acceptance by the City.
 - For all other contracts: upon approval by the City of the executed contract and bonds.
- City shall have the right to retain the bid security of bidders to whom an award is being considered until either:
 - A contract has been executed and bonds have been furnished.
 - The specified time has elapsed so that the bids may be withdrawn.
 - 2.5.3 All bids have been rejected.
- Bid security will be forfeited to the City as full liquidated damages, but not as a penalty, for any of the following reasons, as pertains to this specification document:
 - 2.6.1 If the bidder fails to deliver the equipment or merchandise in full compliance with the accepted proposal and specifications.
 - 2.6.2 If the bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract on forms provided by the City, and/or if the bidder fails to provide sufficient bonds or insurance within the time period as established in this specification document.

BIDDER'S REPRESENTATION

- Each bidder by signing and submitting a bid, represents that the bidder has read and understands the specification documents, and the bid has been made in accordance therewith
- 32 Each bidder for services further represents that the bidder has examined and is familiar with the local conditions under which the work is to be done and has correlated the observations with the requirements of the bid documents.

4. CLARIFICATION OF SPECIFICATION DOCUMENTS

- Bidders shall promptly notify the Purchasing Agent of any ambiguity, inconsistency or error which they may discover upon examination of the specification documents.
- 4.2 Bidders desiring clarification or interpretation of the specification documents shall make a written request which must reach the Purchasing Agent at least five (5) calendar days prior to the date and time for receipt of bids.

- 4.3 Changes made to the specification documents will be made by written addenda to all known prospective bidders and posted on the City-County website at lincoln.ne.gov
- 4.4 Oral interpretations or changes to the Specification Documents made in any other manner, will not be binding on the City; and bidders shall not rely upon such interpretations or changes.

- 5.1 Addenda are written instruments issued by the City prior to the date for receipt of bids which modify or interpret the specification document by addition, deletion, clarification or correction.
- 5.2 Copies of addenda will be made available for inspection at the office of the Purchasing Agent and on the City-County website.
- No addendum will be issued later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date and time for receipt of bids, except an addendum withdrawing the invitation to bid, or an addendum which includes postponement of the bid.
- Bidders shall ascertain prior to submitting their bid that they have received all addenda issued, and they shall acknowledge receipt of addenda on the proposal form.

INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION

By signing and submitting this bid, the bidder certifies that the prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor; unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder prior to bid opening directly or indirectly to any other bidder or to any competitor; no attempt has ben made, or will be made, by the bidder to induce any person or firm to submit, or not to submit, a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

7. ANTI-LOBBYING PROVISION

During the period between the bid advertisement date and the contract award, bidders, including their agents and representatives, shall not lobby or promote their bid with any member of the City Council or City Staff except in the course of City-sponsored inquiries, briefings, interviews, or presentations, unless requested by the City.

8. BRAND NAMES

- Wherever in the specifications or proposal form brand names, manufacturer, trade name, or catalog numbers are specified, it is for the purpose of establishing a grade or quality of material only; and the term "or equal" is deemed to follow.
- It is the bidder's responsibility to identify any alternate items offered in the bid, and prove to the satisfaction of the City that said item is equal to, or better than, the product specified.
- Bids for alternate items shall be stated in the appropriate brand on the proposal form, or if the proposal form does not contain blanks for alternates, bidder MUST attach to the specification documents on Company letterhead a statement identifying the manufacturer and brand name of each proposed alternate, plus a complete description of the alternate items including illustrations, performance test data and any other information necessary for an evaluation. The bidder must indicate any variances by item number from the specification document no matter how slight. Bidder must fully explain the variances from the specification document, since brochure information may not be sufficient.
- If variations are not stated in the proposal, it will be assumed that the item being bid fully complies with the City's specifications.

9. DEMONSTRATIONS/SAMPLES

- Bidders shall demonstrate the exact item(s) proposed within seven (7) calendar days from receipt of such request from the City.
- 9.2 Such demonstration can be at the City delivery location or a surrounding community.
- If bidder does not have an item in the area, it will be at the bidder's expense to send appropriate City personnel to the nearest location to view and inspect proposed item(s).
- If items are small and malleable, the bidder is proposing an alternate product, the bidder MUST supply a sample of the exact item. Samples will be returned at bidder's expense after receipt by the City of acceptable goods. Bidders must indicate how samples are to be returned.

10. DELIVERY (Non-Construction)

- 10.1 Each bidder shall state on his proposal form the date upon which he can make delivery of all equipment or merchandise.
- 10.2 The City reserves the right to cancel orders, or any part thereof, without obligation, if delivery is not made within the time(s) specified on the proposal form.

- 10.3 All bids shall be based upon inside delivery of the equipment/ merchandise F.O.B. the City at the location specified by the City, with all transportation charges paid.
- 10.4 At the time of delivery, a designated City of Lincoln employee will sign the invoice/packing slip. The signature will only indicate that the order has been received and the items actually delivered agree with the delivery invoice. This signature does not indicate all items met specifications, were received in good condition and/or that there is not possible hidden damage or shortages.

11. WARRANTIES, GUARANTEES AND MAINTENANCE

- 11.1 Copies of the following documents must accompany the bid proposal for all items being bid:
 - 11.1.1 Manufacturer's warranties and/or guarantees.
 - 11.1.2 Bidder's maintenance policies and associated costs.
- 11.2 As a minimum requirement of the City, the bidder will guarantee in writing that any defective components discovered within a one (1) year period after the date of acceptance shall be replaced at no expense to the City. Replacement parts of defective components shall be shipped at no cost to the City. Shipping costs for defective parts required to be returned to the bidder shall be paid by the bidder.

12. ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

- 12.1 All components used in the manufacture or construction of materials, supplies and equipment, and all finished materials, shall be new, the latest make/model, of the best quality, and the highest grade workmanship.
- 12.2 Material delivered under this proposal shall remain the property of the bidder until:
 - 12.2.1 A physical inspection and actual usage of this material is made and found to be acceptable to the City; and
 - 12.2.2 Material is determined to be in full compliance with the specifications and accepted proposal.
- 12.3 In the event the delivered material is found to be defective or does not conform to the specification documents and accepted proposal, then the City reserves the right to cancel the order upon written notice to the bidder and return materials to the bidder at bidder's expense.
- 12.4 Successful bidder shall be required to furnish title to the material, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, issued in the name of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, as required by the specification documents or purchase orders.
- 12.5 Selling dealer's advertising decals, stickers or other signs shall not be affixed to equipment. Vehicle mud flaps shall be installed blank side out with no advertisements. Manufacturer's standard production forgings, stampings, nameplates and logos are acceptable.

13. BID EVALUATION AND AWARD

- 13.1 The signed bid proposal shall be considered an offer on the part of the bidder. Such offer shall be deemed accepted upon issuance by the City of purchase orders, contract award notifications, or other contract documents appropriate to the work.
- 13.2 No bid shall be modified or withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the time and date established for receiving bids, and each bidder so agrees in submitting the bid.
- 13.3 In case of a discrepancy between the unit prices and their extensions, the unit prices shall govern.
- 13.4 The bid will be awarded to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder whose proposal will be most advantageous to the City, and as the City deems will best serve it's requirements.
- 13.5 The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids; to request rebids; to award bids item-by-item, with or without alternates, by groups, or "lump sum"; to waive minor irregularities in bids; such as shall best serve the requirements and interests of the City.
- 13.6 In order to determine if the Bidder has the experience, qualifications, resources and necessary attributes to provide the quality workmanship, materials and management required by the plans and specifications, the Bidder may be required to complete and submit additional information as deemed necessary by the City. Failure to provide the information requested to make this determination may be grounds for a declaration of non-responsive with respect to the Bidder.
- 13.7 The City reserves the right to reject irregular bids that contain unauthorized additions, conditions, alternate bids, or irregularities that make the Bid Proposal incomplete, indefinite or ambiguous.

14. INDEMNIFICATION

- 14.1 The bidder shall indemnify and save harmless the City of Lincoln, Nebraska from and against all losses, claims, damages, and expenses, including, attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from the performance of the contract that results in bodily injury, sickness, disease, death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of use resulting therefrom and is caused in whole or in part by the Bidder, any subcontractor, any directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable. This section will not require the Bidder to indemnify or hold harmless the City of Lincoln for any losses, claims damages, and expenses arising out of or resulting from the sole negligence of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska.
- 14.2 In any and all claims against the City or any of its members, officers or employees by an employee of the bidder, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or by anyone for whose acts made by any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under paragraph 13.1 shall not be limited in any way by any limitation of the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the bidder or any subcontractor under worker's or workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

15. TERMS OF PAYMENT

15.1 Unless stated otherwise, the City will begin processing payment within thirty (30) calendar days after all labor has been performed and all equipment or other merchandise has been delivered, and all such labor and equipment and other materials have met all contract specifications.

16. LAWS

- 16.1 The Laws of the State of Nebraska shall govern the rights, obligations, and remedies of the Parties under this proposal and any agreement reached as a result of this process.
- 16.2 Bidder agrees to abide by all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations concerning the handling and disclosure of private and confidential information concerning individuals and corporations as to inventions, copyrights, patents and patent rights.

17. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

17.1 The City of Lincoln-Lancaster County Purchasing Division provides equal opportunity for all bidders and encourages minority businesses and women's business enterprises to participate in our bidding process.

18. LIVING WAGE

18.1 The bidders agree to pay all employees employed in the performance of this contract, a base wage of not less than the City Living Wage per section 2.81 of the Lincoln Municipal Code. This wage is subject to change every July.

19. EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

- 19.1 Depending on the type of service provided, one of the following three (3) methods will be employed. The method applicable to this contract will be checked below:

 a. This Contract shall consist of a PURCHASE ORDER and a copy of the suppliers signed bid (or referenced bid number) attached and that the
 - suppliers signed bid (or referenced bid number) attached and that the same, in all particulars, becomes the agreement and contract between the parties hereto: that both parties thereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of said bid documents, and that the parties are bound thereby and the compensation to be paid the Supplier is as set forth in the Supplier's Bid. Items not awarded, if any, have been deleted.
 - X b. The contract shall consist of a YEARLY AGREEMENT and a copy of the suppliers signed bid attached and that the same, in all particulars, becomes the agreement and contract between the parties hereto. That both parties thereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of said bid documents, and that the parties are bound thereby and the compensation to be paid the Supplier is as set forth in the Suppliers' Bid. Items not awarded, if any, have been deleted.
 - c. Three (3) copies of the CONTRACT, unless otherwise noted.
 - City will furnish three (3) copies of the Contract to the successful Bidder who shall prepare attachments as required. Insurance as evidenced by a Certificate of Insurance, surety bonds properly executed, and Agreement signed with the date of signature shall be attached.
 - 2. The prepared documents shall be delivered to the City within 10 days (unless otherwise noted).
 - 3. The City will sign the Contract Agreement, insert the date of signature at the beginning of the Contract Agreement, prepare an Executive Order to go the Mayor for signature.
 - 4. Upon approval and signature from the Mayor, the City will return one copy to the Contractor.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMODITY TERM CONTRACTS

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA PURCHASING DIVISION

1. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

- 1.1 The quantities set forth in the specification document are approximate and represent the estimated requirements of the City for the contract period.
- 1.2 Items listed may or may not be inclusive of City requirements for this category.
- 1.3 Category items not listed, but distributed by bidder are to be referred to as kindred items. Kindred items shall receive the same percentage of discount or pricing structure as items listed in the specification document.
- 1.4 The unit prices and the extended total prices shall be used only as a basis for the evaluation of bids. The actual quantity of materials necessary may be more or less than the estimates listed in the specification document, but the City shall be neither obligated nor limited to any specified amount. The City will, if possible, restrict increases/decreases to 20% of the estimated quantities listed in the specification document.

2. CONTRACT PERIOD

- 2.1 The material shall be delivered as ordered during the contract period, beginning from the date of contract and ending one (1) year from that date, or as otherwise indicated on the proposal form.
- 2.2 The City is interested in a one (1) year contract, with the option to renew for no more than two (2) additional one (1) year renewals. Bidder must indicate on the proposal form if extension renewalsare an option. By mutual consent of both parties it is understood and agreed that the contract may be renewed only at the same prices and/or under the same conditions governing the original contract; and any request for an increase in price or a change in the contract conditions shall be interpreted as a request not to renew the contract at the end of the current contract period.

3. BID PRICES

- 3.1 Bidders must state on the proposal form if the bid prices will remain firm for the full contract period; or if the bid prices will be subject to escalation/de-escalation.
- 3.2 <u>Escalation/De-escalation Clause</u>: In the event that prevailing market conditions warrant an adjustment in bid prices contained in the contract, the following escalation/de-escalation clause shall be the only clause applicable or acceptable to the City:
 - Contractor shall give written notice to the Purchasing Agent of any proposed changes from contract prices not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of said price changes.
 - Such notice must be accompanied by a certified copy of the supplier's advisory or notification to the contractor of price changes.
 - No price escalation will be authorized in excess of the amount of the increase referred to on the supplier's notice.
 - The approved price change shall be honored for all orders received by the contractor after the effective date of such price change.
 - Approved price changes are not applicable to orders already issued and in process at time of price change.
 - The City reserves the right to audit and/or examine any pertinent books, documents, papers, records or invoices relating directly to the contract transaction in question after reasonable notice and during normal business hours.

- The Purchasing Agent retains the right to determine whether or not such proposed price changes are in the best interests of the City.
- 8. If in the opinion of the Purchasing Agent any proposed increase is found unacceptable, the Purchasing Agent reserves the right to cancel the contract upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice.
- 9. Contractors must tie any price change clause to an industry-wide or otherwise nationally recognized index, or some other form of verifiable document. Contractor will put the Purchasing Agent on the mailing lists for such publication so that the Purchasing Agent can monitor said changes. Such membership will be at no cost to the City.

4. CONTRACT AWARD NOTIFICATION

- 4.1 The Purchasing Division will issue a Contract Award Notification to all successful bidders. Such contract award notification will incorporate the City's specifications, and may incorporate the bidder's specifications.
- 4.2 No action need be taken by the contractors at time of receipt of such Contract Award Notification.
- 4.3 Orders for materials will be made as needed by the various City Departments.

5. QUARTERLY REPORT

- 5.1 The contractor shall provide to the Purchasing Agent a quarterly report, showing all purchases made under the terms and conditions of the contract.
- 5.2 Such quarterly report shall itemize the following information:
 - 1. Each ordering department.
 - $2. \quad \text{Items and quantities purchased by department.} \\$
 - 3. Total dollar amount of purchases by department

6. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

6.1 This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days prior notice in writing to the other party. The Owner may terminate this contract immediately, under breach of contract, if the Contractor fails to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions. In the event of any termination of contract by the Contractor, the Owner may purchase such supplies and/or services similar to those so terminated, and for the duration of the contract period the Contractor will be liable for all costs in excess of the established contract pricing.